

CODE BOOKS STOLEN FROM ARIZONA POST

Thieves at Fort Huachuac
May Be Able to Decipher
Pershing's Messages.

BRUSHES IN THE BIG BEND

EL PASO, May 13.—Information was received today at the headquarters of Gen. George Bell, Jr., commanding the border patrol forces of the United States army at Fort Huachuac, Ariz., last night and the theft of the army code books in the place.

The thieves took a large amount, but appeared to have searched carefully and a long time for the code books. Officers of the government do not know who is responsible for the robbery, but they are confident the primary object of the search was to secure the code books. The army in Mexico uses code to handle its messages to the border. There are wireless stations in Sonora capable of "picking up" the code wireless messages of the American army in Chihuahua if they were of any value. With a code book, such messages would be of great value.

Means of communication with the army now being used in the Big Bend country will not be wireless, but a ground wire. The wire is now being strung by the signal corps between Marathon and Boquillas. This, it is said, will have its disadvantages also, as it can be tapped and it is liable to get out of commission in wet weather, which is fast approaching.

Today it was said that the approach of the rainy season is one of the reasons for drawing in the line of the Pershing army to Colonia Dublan. Trucks will have hard going, it is known, and by drawing the troops back toward the border all trucks not in use in the long line of communication will be available for the shorter haul. If any can be spared some will probably be sent to the Marathon base.

Mobilization work was completed today by the militia of Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, and two carloads of recruits arrived in El Paso from the east for the Eighth Cavalry to help bring the regiment up to war strength.

Two companies of the Coast Artillery arrived today at Fort Sumner, N. M., from El Paso by Gen. Funston on arriving there. These will replace the two companies of Infantry sent this week to Devil's Bend in the "High Bridge" of the southern Pacific.

Juan N. Amador, Sub-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, said today that Gen. Pershing, commander of northern Mexico for the Carranza Government, is coming north to Chihuahua city to take personal charge of the hunt for bandits, and that he will have 10,000 men at his command. He will send them westward after the Villa bandits and eastward after the band that raided Glenn Springs. Full cooperation will be given the American army, Amador said.

The four American troops sent south from Alpine and Marathon following the raid on Glenn Springs in the last week are now reported in Mexican territory, close on the heels of the bandits, who are hiding in a cave south of the border.

Several brushes have taken place along the border between the Americans and the Mexicans and some exchanges of shots have also taken place since the Americans entered Mexico on the chase. The Mexicans are said to be located at Sierra Blanca, seventy-five miles south of Boquillas, according to the best information the army is able to secure.

A company of coast artillery has arrived at Marathon to guard the base and the line of communication in order that all cavalry may be released for the ride after the bandits.

Pablo Lopez, also commanding the Villa bandits at Santa Ysabel, when the eighteen Americans were massacred, still alive in the Chihuahua penitentiary and is recovering from his wounds and reported to be getting fat on his prison fare. The official announcement is that as soon as Lopez has "fattened up a bit" he will be tried and executed.

Americans believe he is being held to await the outcome of the present disagreement between the United States and Mexico, and that he will never be tried for his offense if there should be a break in the relations between the two countries, for, according to reports from Mexico, mistreatment of Americans by Mexicans is not likely to excite the anger of other Mexicans.

Guillermo Vizcarra, the El Paso custom broker, who is being held in the Juarez jail on a charge preferred by Mexico city, is to be taken to the national capital on Monday by Gen. Pablo Bertram to answer charges preferred by the Minister of Finance. Vizcarra was connected with the purchasing department of the Villa Government at one time, and the charges preferred against him are the result of his disappearance from Juarez with some of the Villa funds at the time he was in the same city. Villa, when that chief traitor pretended allegiance to Carranza, hence it is held by the Carranza Government that the money taken belonged to the Government of Mexico.

SAYS INTERVENTION IS NEAR IN MEXICO

Senator Lewis Tells Founders
Crisis Is Fast Approach-
ing Across Border.

INCITED BY HIDDEN HAND

James Hamilton Lewis, Senator from Illinois, close friend and consultant of President Wilson, told the members of the New York Society of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, dining at the Hotel Manhattan last night, that the United States is rapidly approaching the point where it will be compelled to intervene by arms in Mexico. Furthermore he declared the people of the United States have about reached the point where they will uphold any action President Wilson may take—just as they upheld President McKinley in Cuba.

The speaker's words were received with applause from the several hundred men and women at the tables and punctuated by the blare of bands and the rattle of drum corps from the streets outside.

Senator Lewis at the outset of his remarks dealt on the condition of the country and the preparedness campaign. He spoke of the Monroe Doctrine and the Asiatic exclusion acts as constant menaces of peace, and then he turned to Mexico.

"The forces in Mexico under Villa, Carranza and other leaders have determined that no one of them shall dominate, he said. The ascendancy of one means the revolt of the others and the death of American citizens."

"It is known," he continued, "that there are influences outside of Mexico that are inciting opposition to the United States in whatever it undertakes. If Mexico shall continue to yield to those to the injury of the United States the United States will have but one course—intervention and the establishing and maintaining of a stable Government."

The President has no desire to take this course, Senator Lewis asserted, but if every effort undertaken by him is to be thwarted by those whose purpose it is to continue the lawlessness and to repeat the assaults upon American lives he will have nothing else to do—just as President McKinley did in Cuba. The country was ready for whatever he might do.

Another speaker last night was Rear Admiral Casper F. Goodrich, U. S. N. (retired), who said he would not talk of the efficiency of the United States navy but would ask some questions.

There were about seven of these questions, he said, and inquired whether the navy had sufficient strength, sufficient drill, sufficient auxiliaries, coordinated control and the like. If it had, he said, then the navy was all right; if not, it was inviting defeat.

Other speakers were Col. William Cary Sanger and Surgeon William Seaman Bainbridge, U. S. N. Reserve Corps, who showed stereoscopic views of both sides of the war in Europe. Major Gen. Wood, who expected to be present, was detained. Dr. William Edward Pitch presided.

BANDITS SACK TEXAS TOWN.

Burn Schoolhouse and Steal Horses From American Farm.

LAREDO, TEX., May 13.—Laredo, Tex., eighteen miles northwest of here, was sacked by Mexican bandits early today, according to reports.

The Laredo schoolhouse was burned and the Ambrose Johnson truck farm and orange groves were raided and looted.

Farm hands gave the alarm and a posse pursued the Mexicans across the Rio Grande, but finally abandoned the chase. Farmers are building barricades and organizing a system of outpost guards for service at night.

VILLA HAS 1,100 MEN, GEN. PERSHING HEARS

Bandit Leader Now on Ranch Near Corralitos, Report Says.

By GEORGE H. CLEMENTS.

Special Correspondent of THE SUN.

FIELD HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY, NEAR NAMIQUITA, MEXICO, via radio to Columbus, N. M., May 13.—Report received here last night that Villa and 1,100 men are at a ranch near Corralitos. The force is supposed to be made up of Sonora bandits chiefly, with a sprinkling of the followers of the former leader, who escorted him through the Sierra Madre from Batopilas, in the southern part of the State of Chihuahua.

The report is given with credit and its receipt has not changed the repositioning of the forces under Gen. Pershing's command in this section of the country.

DEFEAT GERMANS IN AFRICA.

Gen. Smuts Reports Repulse of Strong Forces in East Colony.

LONDON, May 13.—The War Office issued today the following report from Gen. Smuts, commander of the Union of South Africa forces invading German East Africa:

The enemy effected a concentration of troops under the personal command of Gen. von Lettow Forbach about Kilimatinde (ninety miles southwest of Kondoa Irangi), recently taken by the British troops in the direction of Kondoa Irangi since May 10.

An attack against Kondoa Irangi, preceded by a heavy bombardment, was attempted Tuesday night and was driven off with severe losses. The enemy persisted in the offensive Wednesday and Thursday and after sunset on Thursday made an effort against the British left flank and was repulsed.

LATIN NATIONS TO BACK U. S. IN INTERVENTION

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A company of motor trucks at the disposal of Major Langhorne, commanding the second punitive expedition which is believed to have crossed the line at Boquillas in pursuit of the outlaws who raided the Big Bend country. These trucks will be used along Major Langhorne's line of communication.

Further indication that Carranza is willing to let matters drift for a while

was given in a report to the State Department today from Special Agent James Lynn Rodgers at Mexico city, who stated that the First Chief showed no signs of renewing at once his formal demand for a withdrawal of the American forces.

Gen. Scott is expected back in Washington Monday when he will confer with Secretary Lansing. Until then it is said the United States will not be prepared to enter into any discussion with the Carranza Government.

Montclair Recruits for Red Cross.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., May 13.—Montclair has undertaken to enroll 1,000 residents in the American Red Cross by May 30 and an active campaign to that end was started today. Mayor E. M. Harrison has been made honorary chairman of the committee. Headquarters will be opened in the business section of the town.

BRITAIN YIELDS TO U. S. IN CASE OF THE CHINA

Formally Expresses Regret
and Promises Release of
Passengers.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—The State Department received today a memorandum from the British Government formally acceding to the demands of the United States in the case of the American steamship China. This ship was held up by a British cruiser off Shanghai and thirty-eight Germans, Austrians and Turks were taken off, de-

spite the protest of the ship's captain. Sir Edward Grey's memorandum, transmitted by Ambassador Page at London, states that "it is the intention of the British Government to release the persons as requested, and the Government expresses regret at the occurrence."

Great Britain reserves decision so far as the principle involved is concerned. This principle, for which the United States has contended, is that no belligerent has the right forcibly to take persons off a ship flying the American flag. Officials point out that Great Britain never has admitted this principle directly, but the demand during the civil war for the release of Mason and Sill, taken off a British ship by an American man-of-war, amounted, it is explained, to an indirect admission.

Officials say that in the China case, as in others involving Great Britain and the United States, the so-called Bryan treaties have made it practically impossible to press the issue even if this

Government were disposed to do so. The United States is bound by the treaty to take no other than the regular diplomatic measures for the period of one year after admitting that the case in question does not permit of ordinary diplomatic settlement.

The Bryan treaties are rapidly losing favor at the State Department because they appear to accommodate nothing except to place the United States in a helpless position. No record is made of the fact that Germany could have continually sunk ships on the high seas even American ships, without committing any practical redress if Mr. Bryan had succeeded in negotiating a treaty with the Kaiser.

Spanish Railway Strike Averted. MADRID, May 13.—As a result of concessions granted by the Spanish railway the general strike of employees which was set for May 20 has been called off.

FIFTH AVENUE

34th and 35th Streets

New York

B. Altman & Co.

MADISON AVENUE

34th and 35th Streets

New York

A Sale of Summer Suitings

(all wool)

will afford an exceptional purchasing opportunity for to-morrow. It will offer White

Gabardine; fine Tailor Serge, in white or navy blue; and Imported Black-striped White

Serge (all 54 inches wide), at

\$1.45 per yard

This is an unusually low price for smart

Summer suitings of these qualities.

An Important Reduction Sale of

White Cotton Fabrics

to begin to-morrow (Monday) will comprise

Lingerie Materials, Fancy Voiles and Corded

Skirtings, and will offer exceptional values.

Longcloth (10-yard piece)

36-inch . . . \$1.45 42-inch \$1.65 & 2.50

Cambrie (10-yard piece)

42-inch . . . \$1.85, 2.25 & 2.45

Fancy White Cotton Voiles

per yard 21c.

Fancy White Corded Skirtings

per yard 38c.

Sports Purses and Silk Bags

each at \$3.85

will provide an unusually interesting Sale

to-morrow in the Madison Avenue section

of the First Floor, and will offer very

special value at the price quoted.

The Sports Purses are made of smart striped

silks combined with leather, are daintily

silk-lined and have inside frame pocket,

mirror and an artistic enamel clasp; the

whole presenting a very chic accessory of the

sports or beach costume.

The Silk Bags are of pouch model, made of

silk moire in black or navy blue, or of silk

faile in gray, taupe or blue, embroidered in

steel beads. Silk lining, with mirror and

change purse, complete a very dainty and

useful article.

A New Selection of

Men's Balta Low Shoes

in black or tan Russia, made on a smart,

well-shaped, comfortably-fitting last, will

be placed on sale to-morrow at the special

price of

\$5.50 per pair

Boys' and Youths' Shoes are shown in the

stock of the Men's Shoe Department, in all

the wanted styles and leathers, at moderate

prices.

(First Floor, Thirty-fourth Street side)

EVERYBODY SHOULD HELP IN THE GOOD WORK

OF THE

AMERICAN RED CROSS

DURING THE MONTH OF MAY CUSTOMERS AND

FRIENDS MAY SIGN IN THE STORE, APPLICATIONS

FOR MEMBERSHIP. DUES \$1.00 PER YEAR

A Clearance Sale of

Travel and Sports Coats

to be commenced to-morrow, will offer all

the remaining Spring models in Women's

American-made Outergarments for practical

wear (mostly in broken sizes) at the reduced

prices of

\$24.50, 28.00, 42.50, 55.00 & 75.00

The remaining stock of Higher-cost Coats

and Wraps (imported as well as American-

made), will at the same time be reduced to

\$75.00, 125.00, 145.00, 190.00 & 225.00

A Special Sale of

Women's Tailor-made Suits

to be held to-morrow (Monday) will comprise

a choice selection of the most successful of

the later Spring styles, marked at less than

the regular prices. Included will be

Silk Suits of fine quality . . . at \$58.00

Suits of alpaca or mohair . . . at 30.00

Suits of serge, gabardine, checks, etc., 27.50

Women's Ready-to-wear Department

(Third Floor)

Misses' Tailor-made Suits

(comprising a variety of attractive models

taken from the regular stock) have been

subjected to drastic price revisions, and will

be offered, commencing to-morrow, at

\$18.50, \$22.00 & \$24.50

Girls' Tailor-made Suits

and Coats

(in sizes up to 16 years) are marked at

advantageous reductions from

former prices.

Tailor-made Suits, \$11.50, 14.50 to 22.50

Coats . . . 6.50, 7.75 to 19.50

The new assortments of Girls' Washable

Summer Dresses are now shown, presenting

for selection a large variety of simple as well

as more elaborate models.

(Misses' and Girls' Dep'ts, Second Floor)

10,000 Pairs of

Women's Milanese Silk Gloves

at prices that are unprecedentedly low, in

view of the excellent qualities offered, will

constitute a Sale of decided importance for

to-morrow (Monday). It will comprise

WOMEN'S TWO-CLASP GLOVES

In white, black, white stitched with black,

and black stitched with white.

per pair 75c.

WOMEN'S MOUSQUETAIRE GLOVES

(sixteen-button length) in white, black, tan,

white stitched with black, and black stitched

with white per pair 85c.

Another Special Offering of

Women's Undergarments

(American-made)

has been prepared for to-morrow and Tuesday.

An excellent opportunity will be afforded for

purchasing dainty, well-made garments,

fashioned of the wanted materials, at decid-

edly advantageous prices.

Crepe de Chine Undergarments

Night Robes . . . \$3.75, 4.85 & 7.25

Chemises . . . 1.85, 2.75, 3.75 & 4.50

Combinations . . . 3.75 & 4.85

Knickers . . . 2.50

Underbodices . . 90c., 1.50, 1.90 & 2.50

(Also an assortment of Washable

Satin Undergarments)

Lingerie Undergarments

Night Robes . . . 95c., \$1.45 to 2.75

Chemises . . . 95c., 1.45, 1.90 & 2.85

Combinations . . . 95c., 1.45 & 3.75

Drawers . . . 65c., 1.00, 1.50 & 1.90

Corset Covers . . 50c., 65c., to 1.90

Petticoats . . . 1.15, 1.45, 1.85 & 2.90

A Number of

Women's Silk Petticoats

made of crepe de Chine and other desirable

silks, will be offered to-morrow at

the reduced prices of

\$5.00 & \$7.75

Appreciable Reductions have also been made

in the prices of the Higher-cost Silk Petti-

coats, including the imported models.

Women's Silk Parasols

and Umbrellas

will be specially priced for to-morrow.

Silk Parasols in a variety of styles, colors

and combinations \$3.00

Twilled Silk Umbrellas, with natural wood